

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: ODEP DEMONSTRATION GRANTS

The California Workforce Investment Board (CWIB) has received a \$500,000 grant from the Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) to collaborate with federal, state and community organizations in helping young people with disabilities to transition into the workforce. The CWIB requests applications for demonstration projects in accordance with the attached solicitation for proposals (SFP). The CWIB seeks applicants with a track record of providing services to youth with disabilities, employer services connected to workforce development, and that can leverage existing dollars to improve transitional outcomes for youth with disabilities.

No more than three grants will be awarded. The maximum award per demonstration project for year one is \$68,000 and \$120,000 in years two through five.

Local Demonstrations Funding Cycle:

Grant Period	Funding Availability	Comment
08/01/04-09/30/04	\$204,000	No cost extension may be sought based on ODEP approval
10/01/04–09/30/08	\$360,000 per year	Based on State performance and availability of grant funds

Eligible Applicants

- Local Workforce Investment Boards (local board) and/or local Youth Councils and One-Stop Career Centers operating under Workforce Investment Act (WIA) authority are eligible to apply.
- 2. Local educational institutions and community-based organizations with experience serving youth with disabilities may apply directly with the written endorsement of the local board, One-Stop, and/or local youth council.

The application deadline is 3 p.m. PT, July 16, 2004.

For questions concerning the solicitation, please contact Suzette Smith of the CWIB staff by e-mail at ssmith@cwib.ca.gov or by fax at (916) 324-3068 (include the solicitation number M589589, a contact name, fax number, and telephone number). An SFP question and answer bidders' conference call is scheduled tentatively for July 6, 2004, 10 a.m. until 12 Noon. A call-in number will be posted on the CWIB's Web site www.calwia.org under "What's New."

/S/ BOB HERMSMEIER
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Attachment is available on the Internet:

Innovative Transitions Youth Grant Application (DOC) (637k)